

Citizens North Monroe

Corridor Task Force

Session 1 Crime & Human Trafficking

Agenda

Meeting Open & Announcements 5:30-5:40 p.m.

Presentations 5:40-6:00 p.m.

Crime Information – LSCO

Human Trafficking Information (Survive & Thrive
Advocacy Center)

Facilitated Task Force Discussion 6:00-6:30 p.m.

Findings & Recommendations 6:30-7:00 p.m.

July 22, 2021



Meeting Information

Announcements!

- Meeting Recording
- CDC Recommendations for COVID 19



Citizens' Task Force To Guide Leon County Decisions In North Monroe Street Corridor

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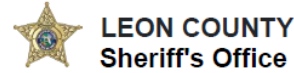


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Law Enforcement Reports Refresher



CRIME DATA

North Monroe Corridor Task Force Law Enforcement Report Statistics Methodology

The Leon County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) and the Tallahassee Police Department (TPD) combined their law enforcement report data. This report is for all calls for service and proactive policing efforts in the North Monroe Corridor Task Force Impact Areas.

6.1.19 – 5.31.20

Call Source	Amount
911	1,218
Phone	2,403
Officer Initiated	5,099
TOTAL	8,720

6.1.20 – 5.31.21

Call Source	Amount
911	1,477
Phone	2,937
Officer Initiated	4,431
TOTAL	8,845



Law Enforcement Reports Refresher



North Monroe Corridor Task Force Law Enforcement Report Statistics Methodology

The Leon County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) and the Tallahassee Police Department (TPD) **combined their law enforcement report data** to produce the information contained in the following presentation slides. Both agencies queried their Records Management Systems (LERMS) for **all incidents** within the North Monroe Corridor Task Force Impact Area in which reports were written. This data was combined and simplified into recognizable categories in the next slides. The law enforcement report data **does not represent all calls for service or proactive policing efforts** in the North Monroe Corridor Task Force Impact Area.



Law Enforcement Reports Refresher



LEON COUNTY
Sheriff's Office

Crime Analysis Unit

North Monroe Corridor Task Force



TPD & LCSO Combined Law Enforcement Reports Data June 1, 2020 – May 31, 2021

Report Type	Amount
Administrative	2
Agency Assist	8
Aggravated Assault	39
All Other Offenses	55
Animal Complaint	1
Arson	1
Burglary	25
Civil Problem	6
Criminal Mischief	30
Death Investigation	5
Disturbance – Non-Domestic	6
Domestic Disturbance	15
Drug Investigation	4
Drug/Narcotic/Equipment Violations	43
Field Interview Report	49
Fraud	26
Forcible Rape	6
Harassment	4
Kidnapping/Abduction	2
Larceny	331
Liquor Laws	1
Lost/Found Property	19
Marchman Act	48
Mentally Ill Person/Baker Act	62
Missing/Recovered Person	10
Motor Vehicle Theft	20
Pornography/Obscene Material	2
Robbery	15
Shooting Incident	1
Sick/Injured Person	6
Simple Assault	103
Stolen Property Offenses	2
Suspicious Incident	36
Traffic	41
Trespass	30
Trespass Warning	408
Weapons Law Violations	8
TOTAL REPORTS	1470

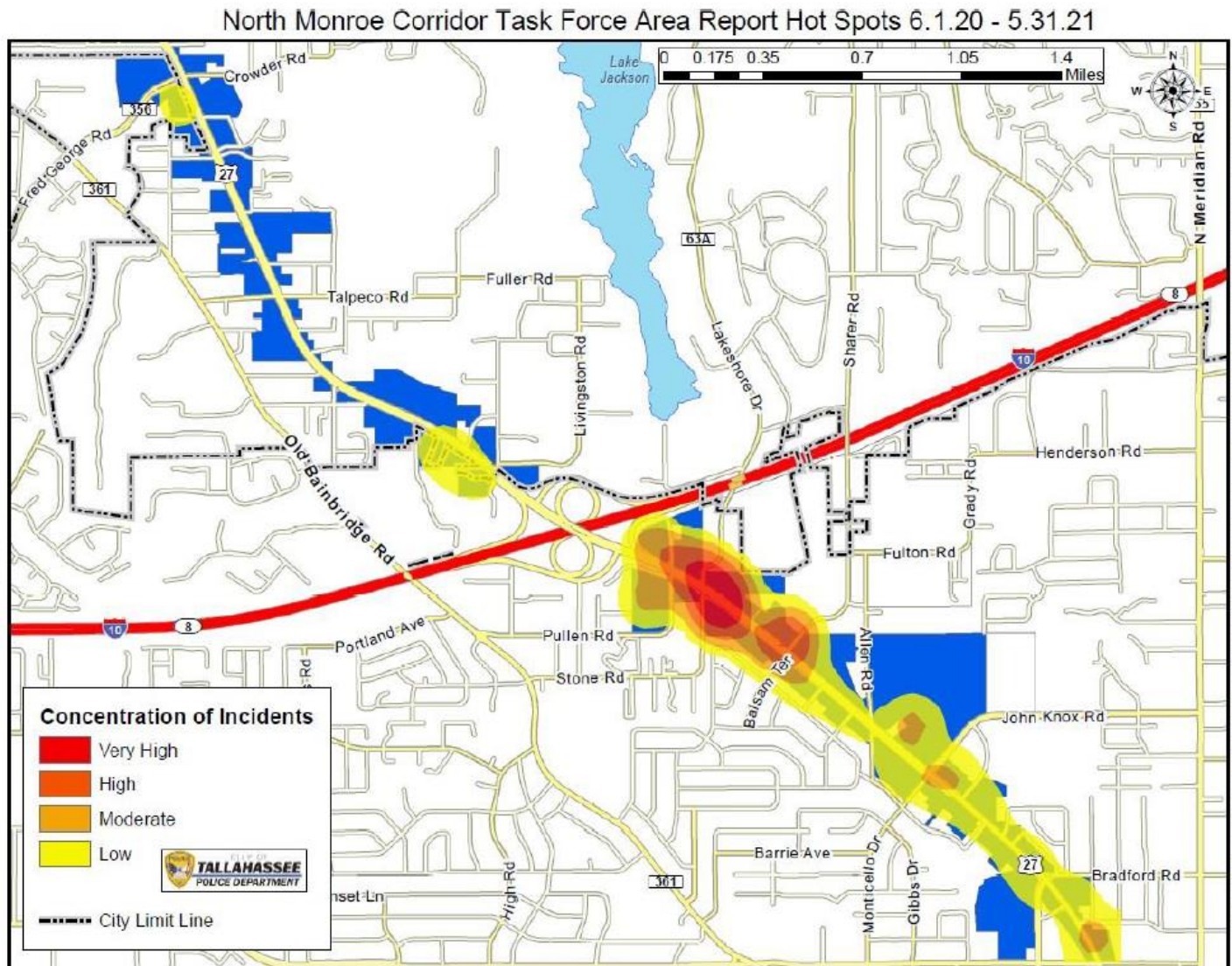


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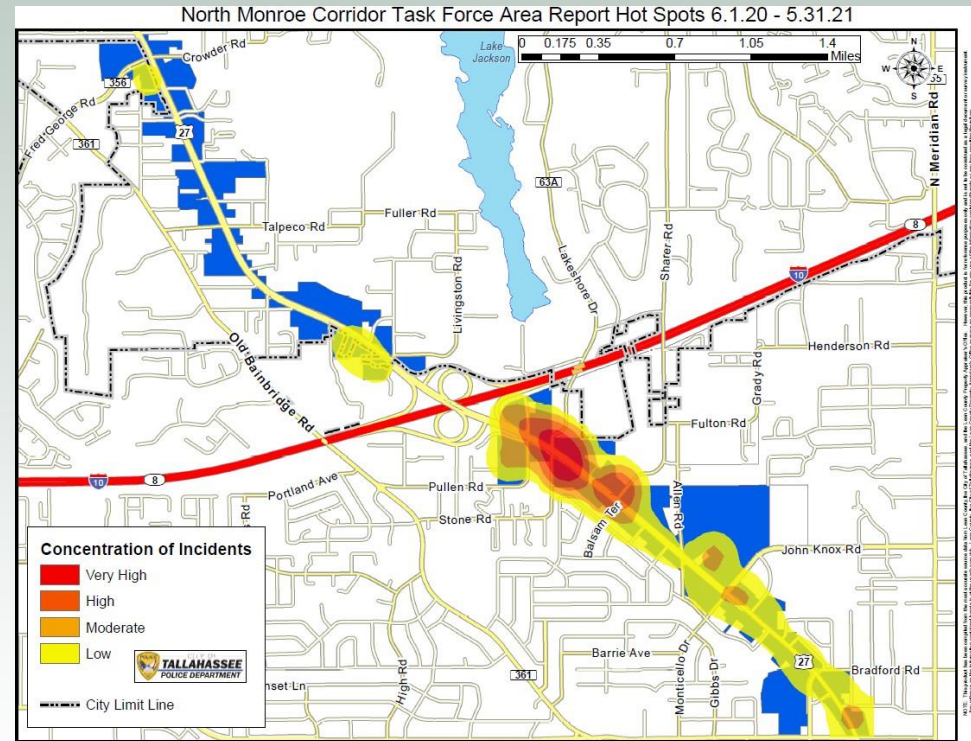
Area: North Monroe Street Corridor (Walmart – Tharpe Street)



Deeper Dive on Reports

Observations

Location of Reports: Reports for County & City Law Enforcement are happening along the entirety of the corridor but are concentrated just south of the I-10 interchange.



Source: TPD LERMS, LCSO LERMS & CrimeView, Prepared June 11, 2021 by CAS Carrie Starr, Crime Analysis Unit, 891-4515



Deeper Dive on Reports

Observation

Amount of Reports from LSCO & TPD

- Emergency 911 Reports have increased by 21% since 2019
- Non-Emergency Reports have increased by 22% since 2019
- Officer initiated Reports have decreased by 15%



Deeper Dive on Reports Findings & Potential Resources

Observation

- 80%+ of Total Reports
 - Trespass
 - Larceny, assault
 - Criminal mischief
 - Drugs/Drug Dependence
 - Mental illness
- 60% of Total Reports
 - Trespass (31%)
 - Larceny & assault

Trespass and Larceny Opportunities

- “Street outreach” Team:
 - Increase resources to that team
 - Use more frequently for typicals
- Business/Resident Resources
 - Emergency & Non-Emergency Report telephone lines
 - Trespass Warning Signs
 - Physical Improvements & Monitoring
- Law Enforcement Resources For Trespass
 - Patrols – By Request or Increased in problem areas
 - Enforcement of laws – Warnings & Citations, and Incarceration
 - CPTED Assessments with recommendations (available upon request)



Mental Health Findings & Potential Resources

Observation

Mental illness reports increased by over 100%

Mental Health Resources

- Mental Health Unit for non-violent cases
- Business & Resident Education & Awareness
 - Mental Health Response Unit contact information within City Limits - AVAILABLE
 - Mental Health Response Unit in County – IN DEVELOPMENT
 - LCSO Budget item for Mental Health Unit Support



Mental Health Potential Opportunities

- Awareness Campaigns
 - Non-Emergency Report telephone lines highlighted on law enforcement websites
 - Mental Health Unit in City – On-Going
- Activities & Programs
 - “Street Outreach” Team
 - Mental Health Unit Development for County



Special Topic - Panhandling

Findings

Panhandling is endemic at the I-10 interchange and at the intersection of N. Monroe Street and Sharer Road (but IS NOT OFTEN A CRIME, and is not always only in those locations).

Potential Opportunities

- “Street outreach” team:
 - Increase resources to that team
 - Use more frequently for panhandling individuals
- Notices in key areas, maybe StarMetro stops, regarding available support & crisis services
- Increase law enforcement for panhandling



Special Topic – Debris/Trash

Findings

Debris along the corridor has increased and is in public rights-of-way and various trouble areas along the corridor

Potential Opportunities

- Request FDOT Voluntary Program to “adopt a road” on US 27
- Encourage local Keep Tallahassee Beautiful on local roadways.
- “Community Service”/ incarceration pick-up programs
- Market Leon County Citizens Connect & Digitally Reporting Mechanisms
- Request additional trash receptacle placement & maintenance in publicly owned areas



Human Trafficking Findings

- **Sex trafficking related arrests** have occurred at hotels near the I-10 interchange
- **Minors and adults, males and females, foreign and U.S. born,** and many more, are victimized and vulnerable
- **Human trafficking is a “crime of crimes”**
- **Data Collection Is An Issue.** Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) doesn’t collect; Local reports not accurate
- **Human Trafficking Arrests,** more than 170, in Leon County in 2019
- **No Recorded Labor Trafficking Arrests** in Leon County
- **Victims Need a Variety of Short-Term & Long-Term Help**
- **COVID 19 Has INCREASED Vulnerability**
- **28% of Trafficking Survivors Encounter Health Care Provider During Experience**



Human Trafficking Findings

- **Survive & Thrive Advocacy Center (STAC)** has assisted more than 65 victims of sex and labor trafficking (and those of severe risk) in this area
- **Myths and misconceptions** contribute greatly to its sustained prevalence.
- In July 2021, the **Leon County Commission** created an initiative to **train all businesses**
- **Florida law provides for mandatory education** and awareness of human trafficking for healthcare professionals, law enforcement, select “public lodging” employees, signage at highway rest stops, ERs, and massage establishments and has encouraged others to be educated concerning the prevalence and incidence of human trafficking.
- **Local response efforts** include Big Bend Coalition Against Human Trafficking and Local Law Enforcement Task Force



Human Trafficking Potential Resources

General

- ✓ National Human Trafficking Hotline 24/7, multi-lingual, local agencies get direct referrals
- ✓ Big Bend Coalition Against Human Trafficking – networking and informational organization

Community Responses

- ✓ Approved FDLE/CJST (Identify and Investigate Human Trafficking Training for Law Enforcement Officers) <http://www.fdle.state.fl.us/FCJEI/Online-Training/Identify-and-Investigate-Human-Trafficking-for-Law>

Community Groups & Networks

- ✓ Faith communities
- ✓ Schools
- ✓ Civic and professional groups (Rotary)
- ✓ Neighborhood/HOA & other resident networks
- ✓ January Human Trafficking Awareness Month Activities



Human Trafficking Potential Resources

Businesses Training

- ✓ Leon County authorized creation of online training and promotional campaign for all businesses (free, optional. Adopted 7/13/21)
- ✓ Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation (DBPR) approved trainings for “public lodging” front desk and housekeeping only
- ✓ Other awareness/operation examples provided by STAC and partners
 - ✓ Financial Sector (Capital City Bank)
 - ✓ Healthcare (TMH, TPCA, Bond Neighborhood Health, FSU College of Medicine)
- ✓ Big Bend Coalition Against Human Trafficking (BBCAHT):
 - ✓ U.S. Attorney created curriculum, meets 4x/year and includes multidisciplinary effort



Potential Opportunities To Combat Human Trafficking

Local Governments

- Leon County Staff & Vendor Training program development
- Human Trafficking Training for Businesses. (Free, optional, in process. Adopted 7/13/21)
- Adoption of City and County staff-wide training on human trafficking – recognition and response (County implemented in 2016, refresh)
- All local sworn law enforcement complete 4-hour FDLE training
- January Human Trafficking Awareness Month
 - Leon County/City of Tallahassee Recognition Through Public Awareness Notice, Proclamations, etc.
 - Calendar links to events, activities, and on-line awareness/training resources



Potential Opportunities To Combat Human Trafficking

- General
 - Identify & Call Out Common Myths & Misconceptions
 - Human Services
 - Identify existing and/or build network for distribution of awareness and education opportunities
 - Community Groups & Networks
 - Develop & distribute awareness and resource guide to neighborhood HOAs that include information on training and FSU certification.
 - Local Healthcare Sector
 - Develop & distribute awareness and resource guide to local providers with input from human services
 - Develop posting or brochure available to clients
- Program & Activity Opportunities



Do you have Questions for the Experts?

This is a chance to ask...

Was there information presented that surprised or jumped out at you ?

What was it?





Law Enforcement Reports Resources & Opportunities

Resources

Opportunities

Panhandling

- Outreach
- Social Services
- Law Enforcement

- “Street Outreach” Team Resources
- Support Service Notices
- Increase Law Enforcement - Safety

Trespass

- State & Local Programs for trash pick-up
- Local reporting mechanisms
- Public Trash Cans

- FDOT Voluntary “Adopt A Road”
- Keep Tallahassee Beautiful on local roadways.
- “Community Service”/ incarceration pick-up programs
- Market Leon County Citizens Connect & Digitally Reporting Mechanisms
- Additional trash receptacle placement - Public



Law Enforcement Reports Resources & Opportunities



Resources

Opportunities

Mental Health

- Mental Health Unit (City) for non-violent cases
- Business & Resident Education & Awareness

General

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 - Signage
 - Patrols
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 - Mental Health Unit in City
 - Activities & Programs
 - Employ “Street Outreach” Team
 - Mental Health Unit Development for County
 - Employ “Street Outreach” on Trespass
 - Raise Awareness on:
 - Emergency/Non-Emergency Reporting Lines/Digital
 - Market Leon County Citizens Connect & Digitally Reporting Mechanisms
 - CPTED Requests
 - Private Trespass Signage
 - Signage in Public Places/Bus Stops



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Community Groups & Networks

Businesses Training (Next Slide)



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- Local Healthcare Sector
 - Provider Resource Guide
 - Client Resource Posting/Guide (Brochure?)